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Timely Tidbits ...

YWCA Conducts Membership Drive

The YWCA of Western Wayne County is currently searching for teens and adult women interested in becoming members of the "Y." For more information, please call 313-561-4110.

RHS Begins Spring Sports Season

Romulus High School's Varsity baseball team will kick off its 1999 season at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 10, with a non-league doubleheader against Lutheran Westland at the High School's Charley Lau Memorial Field. The first league game of the season – also a home game – will be played on Wednesday, April 14, against Robichaud High School in Dearborn Heights.

The public is welcome to attend these and all other Romulus Schools athletic events.

For a complete schedule of spring athletics, please see pages 8 and 9. (Note: All schedules are subject to change. To confirm a particular game or meet, please call the district's Athletic Office at the High School (734-941-2170).

Romulus Police Host Charity Golf Outing

The Romulus Police Officers Association is inviting the public to participate in its first annual Charity Golf Outing, set for Friday, August 6, at the Shady Hollow Golf Course (located at 34777 Smith Road in Romulus).

Registration will begin at 7 a.m.; the shotgun start is scheduled for 8 a.m.

A \$65-per-person donation covers 18 holes of golf, cart, shirt, lunch, steak dinner, beer and soft drinks, and door prizes.

Other donations of cash, gift certificates (to be used for prizes), and golf equipment are also greatly appreciated.

For more information, please call Officer Mike St. Andre or Officer Duane Smith at the Police Department (734-941-8400). □

All in All, Grease Was Slick Production



Pretty and poised before taking the stage for their second performance of *Grease* were (from left) Amy Hudson, Leah Cotham, Kim Poindexter, Amy Bowman (all "T-Ladies"), and Dana Noble ("Patty Simcox").

By Kristi Stephens

Poodle skirts, DAs, and black leather jackets were back in style for one brief weekend, thanks to Romulus High School's production of the nostalgic musical, *Grease*, which took place March 25–27, 1999.

Backstage, just before the group's second performance, the chattering of excited voices echoed up and down the halls. Although everyone was still a little giddy, it was obvious that the survival of opening night had done a lot to ease the tension.

"Sure, I was nervous last night – until I got on stage," said a confident Amy Bowman, who played the part of one of theScarletttes. "Then I was fine."

That's not to say that the first performance went off without a hitch.

"Actually, we messed up several times," laughed "T-Lady" Kim Poindexter. "Some of the mistakes were obvious – like when one of the girls fell while trying to do a flip – but there were a few others that the audience probably never even knew about. If we forgot our lines, we just ad-libbed."

By all accounts, the event was a big success, and production manager Judy Thompson-Barthwell was quick to give credit – and thanks – where it was due.

"It took the work of many, many people to bring this show together," she explained. "Kathi Bush [the veteran director who has also overseen productions of both *Pippin* and *The Wiz* at the

High School] was wonderful, as usual, as were the hard-working production staff and the cast members who endured endless rehearsals. Thanks are



Nobody was cooler than "Vince Fontaine" (Jason Kahler, center) and his "Greaser" buddies Pierre Stewart (left) and Jimmie Earby.

also due to everyone who donated the various props that helped us create the feeling of a now-bygone era.

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Eagles' Nest Turns "Grease-y" Spoon



Romulus High School's culinary arts students (from left) Jamie Falson, David King, Claudette Hawkins, Teanntray Howard, Anthony Christian, and Christa Anderson also got into the spirit of nostalgia inspired by the production of *Grease* by turning the Eagles' Nest into a '50s-style malt shop and dressing in tight jeans and t-shirts or poodle skirts and blouses. The transformation was accomplished under the direction of Sue St. Angelo, assistant instructor to chef instructor Chuck Usztics.

Grease Was Slick Production

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"Finally, I'd like to thank the members of the community who took the time to come out and see the play," said Thompson-Barthwell. "Their support made all our efforts worthwhile."

The Cast of Grease

MRS. LYNCH

Gail Coleman

PATTY SIMCOX

Dana Noble

EUGENE FLORCZYK

Aaron Ashley Anderson

JAN

Renia Thum

MARTY

Rhoda Walton

RIZZO

Natalye Oliver

DOODY

Gabe Taylor

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Jason Webb

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Beonka Dreher

SANDY DUMBROWSKI

Sarah Weinschenk

DANNY ZUKO

Brad Bowman

VINCE FONTAINE

Jason Kahler

JOHNNY CASINO

Damon Williams

CHA-CHA DI GREGORIN

Christina Bishop

TEEN ANGEL

Damon Williams

GREASERS

Jimmy Earby, Brandon Malott,

Pierre Stewart, Rodel Wade

T-LADIES

Amy Bowman, Leah Cotham, Tia

Garrett, April Harris, Amy Hudson,

Angelita Kelly, Cykeia Lee, Kim

Poindexter, Vicki Stevens

The Production Staff

PRODUCTION MANAGER

Judy Thompson-Barthwell

DIRECTOR/CHOREOGRAPHER

Kathi Bush

VOCAL COACH

Judy Thompson-Barthwell

BAND DIRECTOR

Henry James

MUSICIANS

Doug "Dudley" Allen (drums),

Mark "Marky" Fernandez (tenor

sax), Jack "Jumpin'" Hawkins

(tenor sax), Henry "Hank" James

(guitar), Richard "Richy" Schneider

(piano), Steve "The Pet Peeve"

Scibilia (bass guitar)

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CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR

Tim Jacobs, Ernest McDaniels

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Rhonda Knight

LIGHTING DIRECTOR

Rhonda Knight

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Paul Burt

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Christina Bishop

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Amanda McCowan

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Ileena Hill, James Jesse

STAGE CREW

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Dunham, Mike Keller, John

Procter

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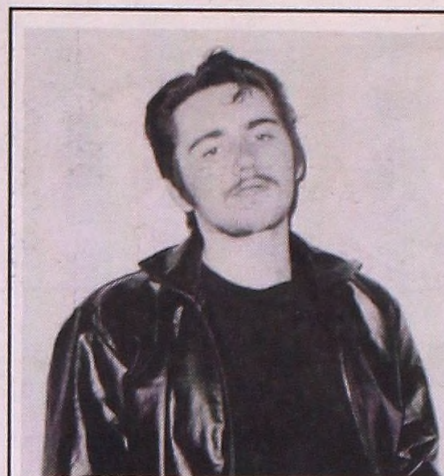
Dombrowski

USHER SUPERVISOR

Carolyn Dawson

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Brad Bowman was all attitude as "Danny."



Sarah Weinschenk was a sweet "Sandy"; Jason Webb a tough "Roger."



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"In fact," she continued, "this solution worked so well for me that I decided to start my own Creative Memories business to share this message with others!"

If you'd like to get your precious photos organized into a beautiful album that will reflect your own creativity and personality, but aren't sure how to do it, Robbins would love to use her expertise

to help you get started. That's why she's planning a National Scrapbook Day Workshop and Open House, to be held on Saturday, May 1, at the Romulus Recreation Department (36515 Bibbins in downtown Romulus).

While there is no cost to stop by and browse during Open House hours (1 to 5 p.m.), anyone planning to attend the all-day workshop (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) will be charged a small fee of \$10. Those who would also like to participate in a two-hour (10 a.m. to noon) "beginner's orientation" class will pay an additional \$3 fee.

Hourly prize drawings will be held, including a grand-prize drawing for a "premiere album" at 5 p.m.

For more information, or to register, please call Robbins at 734-216-4483.

Class of 2002 Prepares for Craft Sale



Romulus High School's Class of 2002 is hosting a number of fund-raisers to enrich the class treasury. Besides this Carnation Sale – conducted in the RHS cafeteria by (from left) Dominique Daniels, Tisha Starnes, Tammy Brennan (volunteer parent), Rosalie Berlinn (class advisor), Kelly Carroll, and Jenny Harper – the class is also planning a craft sale, which will be open to the public on Saturday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (also in the RHS cafeteria). Space (\$25) is still available for interested crafters. For more information, call 734-941-2170 (ext. 149 or 162) or 941-4304.

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Easter Bunny at Open Pit B-B-Q



Open Pit B-B-Q owner Robert Ujkaj was a busy little bunny on Sunday, April 4, when he spent the day entertaining more than 70 people (including little Scottie Malott, Jr., pictured here) who turned out for his Easter Open House. "It was a blast!" Ujkaj said of the event, which featured picture-taking with the bunny as well as food, prizes, and (of course) lots of Easter eggs. "I've already started planning an even bigger event for next year."

Cory Students Honored

Congratulations to the following children from Cory Elementary School who were named "Students of the Month" for February.

Brittany Bullard (Ms. Radovic's class, second grade), Melissa Cofield (Ms. Walker's class, third grade), LaRhonda Colvin (Ms. Pluff's class, fourth grade), Tiffany Cummings (Ms. McCabe's class, kindergarten "A"), Michael Davis (Ms. Giles' class, second grade), Nicole Goodman (Ms. Miller's class, fifth grade), Geovonni Gorsuch (Ms. Cristini's class, first grade), Anthony Groce (Ms. Sims' class, fifth grade), Keoni Mundy (Ms. Watson's class, first grade), Juwan Piggee (Ms. Barrs' class, first grade), Tommy Schutter (Ms. McCabe's class, kindergarten "B"), Cherrelle Smith-Noyd (Ms. Walters' class, fourth grade), Akara Stovall (Ms. Price's class, third grade), Shannon Wright (Mr. Blackburn's class, fifth grade), Trisha Sugalski (Mr. Kessler's class, sixth grade), Jaclyn Wood (Mr. Smith's class, sixth grade), and Amanda Zavitz (Ms. Baluk's class, second grade). □

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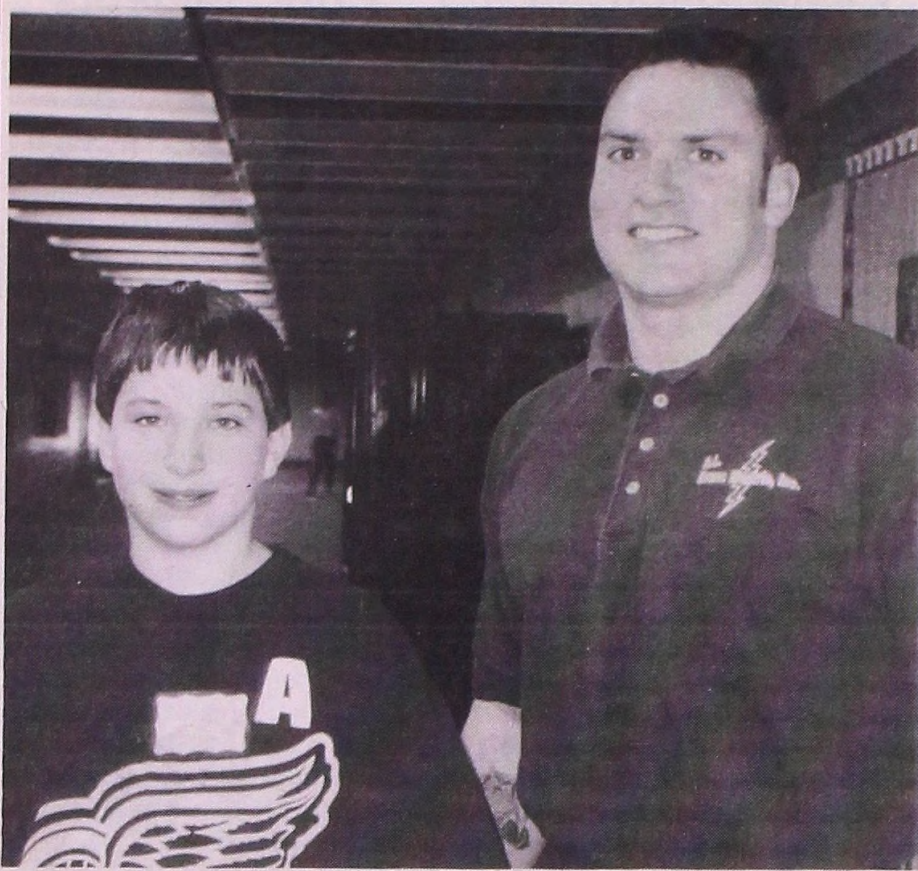
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RMS Students Explore Careers



Romulus Middle School peer mediator/student guide Jeff Hoffman enjoyed spending the day with Richard L. Evans III (owner of R.L. Evans Electric, Inc., in Romulus), one of 36 speakers who came to the school during Career Week to share their expertise.

Career Week at Romulus Middle School was a big success, according to Linda Bradfield, school counselor and coordinator of the event.

"The purpose of Career Week was to provide the students with an opportunity to learn more about different jobs, the responsibilities that they entail, and the amount of education and other preparation that one needs to obtain them," Bradfield explained. "Each day, from March 15 through March 19, students enjoyed a different career-related activity."

On Wednesday, March 17, 36 speakers from the world of work marched into the Middle School armed with knowledge and experience, anxious to share it with the students. They came from a variety of backgrounds,

including arts and humanities, business, science and engineering, government and law, health-related occupations, and the military. All were assigned student guides who took them to three different classrooms to speak and answer students' questions.

At the conclusion of Career Day, everyone was invited to stay for the beautiful luncheon which Bradfield arranged for the guests to show the school's appreciation for taking time out of their busy schedules and making the event such a success.

Several speakers told Bradfield that they had enjoyed the day as much as the students had, and that, if invited, they would gladly return to the school to speak to students during Career Day 2000. □

Community Calendar

- **Youtheatre Offers *The Secret Garden*** – Youtheatre's presentation of *The Secret Garden* has been set for Saturday, April 10 (11 a.m. and 2 p.m.), and Sunday, April 11 (2 p.m.) at the Music Hall (located at 350 Madison Avenue in Detroit). Individual tickets are \$7 when purchased in advance; \$8 at the door. For more information, call 313-963-2366.
- **Business/Professional Women's Club Meets** – Any individual who believes in helping women is welcome to join the Belleville chapter of the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. The group's next meeting is set for Monday, April 12, in the cafeteria (teachers' lounge) of Belleville High School. Dinner is served promptly at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$7.50. (Note: At the April meeting, the BPW will be collecting new baby items such as clothing and diapers to be given to FIRST STEP, a domestic-abuse shelter.) For more information, please contact Vivian Mundy, P.O. Box 211, Belleville, Michigan, 48112 / 734-697-8843.
- **YWCA Seeks Items for Rummage Sale** – The YWCA of Western Wayne County is asking the community to help fill the racks and shelves at its upcoming rummage sale, to be held at the "Y" (located at 26269 Michigan Avenue, one mile west of Telegraph Road, in Inkster) on Saturday, April 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Especially needed are household items, kitchen utensils, toys, jewelry, books, and collectibles. Donations may be brought to the "Y" between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. any weekday prior to the event. Proceeds will be used to promote women's and children's programs.
- **Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce Hosts Monthly Luncheon** – The monthly luncheon of the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce will begin at 12 p.m. on Tuesday, April 20, at the Clarion Hotel (9191 Wickham Road, Romulus). Guest speakers will be Duane Schalau, Supervisor of State Parks, and Dick Schoenherr, Elro Corporation, who will discuss plans for future development by the Rudgate West Community in Romulus. Donation is \$12 per person (payment by check is appreciated). Deadline for registration is April 14. For more information, call Karan Johnson, Chamber Secretary, at 734-326-4290.
- **"African American Experience" Book Discussion Group** – The newly formed African American Experience Book Discussion Group will meet from 7 to 8 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month (next meeting on April 21) at the Romulus Public Library (11121 South Wayne Road, next to City Hall). New members are welcome. For more information, call Alfaye Woods or Diane Hazen at the Library (734-942-7589) during its regular hours (Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 12 to 5 p.m.).
- **Pancake Breakfast** – St. Anthony Church (located at 409 West Columbia in Belleville) will host a Pancake Breakfast (featuring pancakes by King Brothers, pure maple syrup from the Amish country, Kowalski sausage links, apple sauce, orange juice, and milk) on Sunday, April 18, from 8 a.m. until noon. Cost is \$5.99 per person (\$3.99 for ages five to 12; free for children four and under). Proceeds will benefit the St. Anthony Youth Group.
- **RHS Health Occupations Students Host Blood Drive** – Romulus High School's Health Occupations Students, under the direction of instructor Terri Brinston, will host a blood drive at the High School on Friday, May 28. Watch for further details in future issues.
- **Boys & Girls Clubs Host Orientation Meetings** – The Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan, Romulus Club, invites prospective members (ages six to 18) to attend one of its new-member orientation meetings, held at Merriman Elementary School (15303 Merriman Road) each Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 11 a.m. The Club's annual membership fee is \$25; proof of age must be provided at the time of registration. Club hours are Tuesday through Friday from after school until 8:30 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call 734-941-5839.
- **Head Start Seeks Applicants** – Romulus Head Start is recruiting eligible three- and four-year-old children for its free preschool program, which is held at Beverly School. Head Start serves children from low-income families, foster children, and children with disabilities. For more information, or to apply, call 734-334-1812.

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RMS Students Honored for Academics, Behavior

Romulus Middle School teachers selected a total of 104 students to receive a "Student of the Month" award based on the youths' exceptional behavioral and academic performance during the months of December, January, and February (34, 35, and 35 students, respectively).

Students attending a brief ceremony in their honor received a certificate of achievement and a Romulus Middle School "Bulldog" ink pen.

Parents in attendance were given an RMS "Bulldog" mug to recognize their support of the students.

Principal Ed Clark would like to congratulate the following Romulus Middle School Students of the Month.

December

Joseph Abbott, Andre Belle, Ronald Buckley, Shawn Caldwell, Brian Cottrell, Carissa Drobil, Alicia Farmer, Tanya Formosa, Stacey Gilbert, Ashley Gschwender, Christian Hadden, Nabila Khan, Jerad Kiser, Christopher Kreps, Sherelle Levi, André Lewis, Brian Manthei, Jolene McBride, Patrick McCollum, Andrew McNeil, Erica Ochs, Kristina Rafalski, Robert Rice, Michael Roberts, Da'Shalone Ross, Jennifer Sattler, Dan Smith, Maggie Taylor, Susan Taylor, Michelle Terry, Rickie Truitt, James VanMeer, Justin Varga, and DeRhonda Williams.

January

Kevin Bush, Kyleen Calloway, Jeremy Cantrell, DeMarvelous Carter, Meghan Conway, Janessa Deshazor, Albert Duncan, Tanya Fehrenbach, Toni Gibson, Mishielle Gray, Ashley Gschwender, Rick Hadyniak, Teddy Hall, Jerad Kiser, Hilary Kozma, Shaepree Lee, Andrew McNeil, Brandon Moring, Steven Parks, Misty Pitel, Lynsie Ransaw, Andrew Rodger, Lauren Romak, Celia Samuel, Heather Saval, Aaron Smith, Clayton Smith, Samantha Smith, Molly Tuttle, Savannah VanKeuren, Kyle Wasson, Patrick Webb, Angela Williams, Schlay Wooden, and Kevin Zajac.

February

Bianca Barrera, Kimberly Blankenship, Katie Bolus, Tiffany Burrell, DeMarvelous Carter, Elliot Craig, Carlos Crockett, Kenneth Cushing, Richard Davis, Eric Decker, Josephine Denys, Jessica Deverich, Tiffany Dotson, Eric Girard, Mishielle Gray, Kelly Hardway, Jeffrey Hoffman, Bethany Hotchkiss, Anna Howard, William Jones, Magan Keely, Timothy Lewis, Sarah Lindroth, Bradley Lucas, Ashley Melchor, Joseph Murphy, Brentyn Owen, Donald Richison, Fallon Sanders, Sara Schulz, Aisha Siddiqui, Dan Smith, Rebecca Thorton, James VanMeer, and D'Andre Walker.

Congratulations to all. □



Romulus Middle School's "Students of the Month" for December.



Romulus Middle School's "Students of the Month" for January.

RHS Students Honored

Romulus High School teachers selected a total of 51 students to receive February's "Student of the Month" award based on the youths' exceptional behavioral and academic performance.

Students attending a brief ceremony in their honor received a certificate of achievement and, thanks to the generosity of local sponsors, a \$50 U.S. savings bond.

Congratulations to the following Romulus High School Students of the Month (February): Christa Anderson, LaToya Bell, Lester Bell-Curry, Christina Bishop, Ryan Block, Jessica Brescol, Carrie Brown, Brandon Burrell, Desirae Butler, Sharice Carter, Andrea Coate, Leah Cotham, Joshua Cutliff, Jennifer Davis, Dujuan Delaney, Jennifer Finch, Erin Fisher, LaDonna Franklin, Ervin Gibson, Heather Heughens, Brandon Hindman, Andrea Hoppe, Maranda Howard, Teanntray Howard, Aisha Hubbard, Twyla Jenkins, Alexia Johnson, Michael Jones, Danielle Judy, Katie Lockhart, Ryan Martell, Lonnie McCollum, Kimberly Mingo, Elena Moss, JoAna Moton, Quran Muhammad, Jasmine Noble, Shawn Phenix, Arkeyta Porter, Stephen Potoczek, Ken-

yon Rice, Thomas Rissane, Robert Roberts, Wiley Simmons, Renia Thum, Scott Tieppo, Norman Underwood, Travis Whitehead, Chianta Wyatt, and Robert Yharbrough.

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- Robichaud at Romulus (Wed., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Ypsilanti-Lincoln (Thurs., Apr. 15, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Willow Run (Fri., Apr. 16, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Highland Park (Mon., Apr. 19, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Woodhaven (Wed., Apr. 21, 4 p.m.)
- Annapolis at Romulus (Fri., Apr. 23, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Crestwood (Mon., Apr. 26, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at River Rouge (Wed., Apr. 28, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Kennedy (Fri., Apr. 30, 4 p.m.)
- Fordson at Romulus (Mon., May 3, 4 p.m.)
- Inkster at Romulus (Wed., May 5, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Robichaud (Fri., May 7, 4 p.m.)
- Highland Park at Romulus (Mon., May 10, 4 p.m.)
- Truman at Romulus (Fri., May 14, 4 p.m.)
- Melvindale at Romulus (DH) (Sat., May 15, 11 a.m.)
- Crestwood at Romulus (Mon., May 17, 4 p.m.)
- River Rouge at Romulus (Wed., May 19, 4 p.m.)
- Southgate Anderson at Romulus (Fri., May 21, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Fordson (Mon., May 24, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Inkster (Wed., May 26, 4 p.m.)

Head Coach: Corrinne Filbert.



Varsity Softball Romulus High School

- Romulus at Robichaud (Wed., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.)
- Ypsilanti-Lincoln at Romulus (Thurs., Apr. 15, 4 p.m.)
- Willow Run at Romulus (Fri., Apr. 16, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Taylor Tournament (Sat., Apr. 17, TBA)
- Highland Park at Romulus (Mon., Apr. 19, 4 p.m.)
- Woodhaven at Romulus (Wed., Apr. 21, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Annapolis (DH) (Fri., Apr. 23, 4 p.m.)
- Crestwood at Romulus (Mon., Apr. 26, 4 p.m.)
- River Rouge at Romulus (Wed., Apr. 28, 4 p.m.)
- Kennedy at Romulus (Fri., Apr. 30, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Fordson (Mon., May 3, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Inkster (Wed., May 5, 4 p.m.)
- Robichaud at Romulus (Fri., May 7, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Highland Park (Mon., May 10, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Truman (Fri., May 14, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Melvindale (DH) (Sat., May 15, 11 a.m.)
- Romulus at Crestwood (Mon., May 17, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at River Rouge (Wed., May 19, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Southgate Anderson (Fri., May 21, 4 p.m.)
- Fordson at Romulus (Mon., May 24, 4 p.m.)
- Inkster at Romulus (Wed., May 26, 4 p.m.)

Head Coach: Lisa Draughon.



JV Baseball Romulus High School

- Ypsilanti-Lincoln at Romulus (Thurs., Apr. 15, 4 p.m.)
- Ypsilanti at Romulus (Fri., Apr. 16, 4 p.m.)
- Melvindale at Romulus (DH) (Sat., Apr. 17, 11 a.m.)
- Highland Park at Romulus (Mon., Apr. 19, 4 p.m.)
- Woodhaven at Romulus (Wed., Apr. 21, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Dearborn (Fri., Apr. 23, 4 p.m.)
- Crestwood at Romulus (Mon., Apr. 26, 4 p.m.)
- River Rouge at Romulus (Wed., Apr. 28, 4 p.m.)
- Kennedy at Romulus (Fri., Apr. 30, 4 p.m.)
- Annapolis at Romulus (DH) (Sat., May 1, 11 a.m.)
- Romulus at Fordson (Mon., May 3, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Highland Park (Mon., May 10, 4 p.m.)
- Garden City at Romulus (Tue., May 11, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Truman (Fri., May 14, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Thurston (DH) (Sat., May 15, 12 p.m.)
- Romulus at Crestwood (Mon., May 17, 4 p.m.)
- Lincoln Park at Romulus (Tue., May 18, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at River Rouge (Wed., May 19, 4 p.m.)
- Willow Run at Romulus (Fri., May 21, 4 p.m.)
- Ann Arbor Pioneer at Romulus (Sat., May 22, 10 a.m.)
- Fordson at Romulus (Mon., May 24, 4 p.m.)

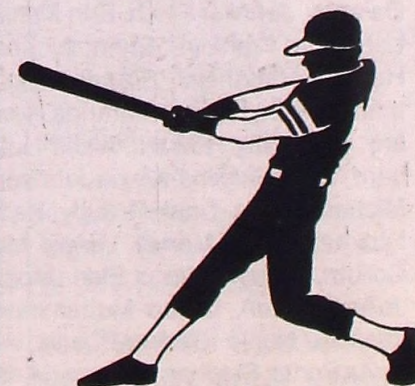
Head Coach: Everette Robbins.
Assistant: Gary Harrif.



Varsity Baseball Romulus High School

- Lutheran Westland at Romulus (Sat., Apr. 10, 11 a.m.)
- Robichaud at Romulus (Wed., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Ypsilanti-Lincoln (Thurs., Apr. 15, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Ypsilanti (Fri., Apr. 16, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Melvindale (DH) (Sat., Apr. 17, 11 a.m.)
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- Fordson at Romulus (Mon., May 3, 4 p.m.)
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- Romulus at Robichaud (Fri., May 7, 4 p.m.)
- Highland Park at Romulus (Mon., May 10, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Garden City (Tue., May 11, 4 p.m.)
- Truman at Romulus (Fri., May 14, 4 p.m.)
- Thurston at Romulus (DH) (Sat., May 15, 12 p.m.)
- Crestwood at Romulus (Mon., May 17, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Lincoln Park (Tue., May 18, 4 p.m.)
- River Rouge at Romulus (Wed., May 19, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Willow Run (Fri., May 21, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Ann Arbor Pioneer (Sat., May 22, 10 a.m.)
- Romulus at Fordson (Mon., May 24, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Inkster (Wed., May 26, 4 p.m.)

Head Coach: Keith Brothers.
Assistants: Dan Czajkowski
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- Romulus at West Bloomfield Invitational (Sat., Apr. 17, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Wayne (Tue., Apr. 20, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Dick Waters Relays (Monroe) (Sat., Apr. 24, 9:30 a.m.)
- River Rouge at Romulus (Tue., Apr. 27, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Annapolis (Thurs., Apr. 29, 3:30 p.m.)
- Inkster at Romulus (Tue., May 4, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Garden City (Thurs., May 6, 3:30 p.m.)
- Melvindale at Romulus (Thurs., May 13, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at News Herald Relays (Sat., May 15, 9:30 a.m.)
- Romulus at MHSAA Regionals (Fri., May 21, TBA)
- Romulus at Division Meet (Tue., May 25, TBA)
- Romulus at State Meet (Sat., June 5, TBA)



Head Coach:
Ron Bayes.

Assistants:
Les Beregsasy
and
Kirsten Fairchild.

Boys' Track Romulus High School

- Romulus at Carlson (Thurs., Apr. 15, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at West Bloomfield Invitational (Sat., Apr. 17, TBA)
- Romulus at Wayne (Tue., Apr. 20, 3:30 p.m.)
- Highland Park at Romulus (Thurs., Apr. 22, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Dick Waters Relays (Monroe) (Sat., Apr. 24, 9:30 a.m.)
- River Rouge at Romulus (Tue., Apr. 27, 3:30 p.m.)
- Southgate at Romulus (Thurs., Apr. 29, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Brother Rice Invitational (Sat., May 1, TBA)
- Lincoln Park at Romulus (Thurs., May 6, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Allen Park (Thurs., May 13, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at News Herald Relays (Sat., May 15, 9:30 a.m.)
- Romulus at Kennedy (Tue., May 18, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at MHSAA Regionals (Fri., May 21, TBA)
- Romulus at Division Meet (Tue., May 25, TBA)
- Romulus at State Meet (Sat., June 5, TBA)

Head Coach: Norbert Glover.
Assistants: Les Beregsasy
and Carl Lowe.



Track Middle School

- Romulus at Belleville (Wed., Apr. 21, 3:45 p.m.)
- Ypsilanti West at Romulus (Mon., Apr. 26, 3:45 p.m.)
- Romulus at Ypsilanti East (Wed., Apr. 28, 3:45 p.m.)
- Inkster at Romulus (Mon., May 3, 3:45 p.m.)
- Romulus at Willow Run (Wed., May 5, 3:45 p.m.)
- Belleville North at Romulus (Mon., May 10, 3:45 p.m.)
- Brake (Taylor) at Romulus (Wed., May 12, 3:45 p.m.)
- Romulus at Trenton (Mon., May 17, 3:45 p.m.)
- Romulus at Division Meet (Belleville) (Wed., May 19, TBA)

Boys' Coach: Mark Woodson.
Girls' Coach: Vern Logan.

Baseball / Softball Middle School

- Romulus at Belleville South (Tue., Apr. 20, 3:45 p.m.)
- Romulus at Melvindale (Tue., Apr. 27, 3:45 p.m.)
- Belleville South at Romulus (Thurs., Apr. 29, 3:45 p.m.)
- Belleville North at Romulus (Tue., May 4, 3:45 p.m.)
- Ecorse at Romulus (Thurs., May 6, 3:45 p.m.)
- Romulus at Willow Run (Tue., May 11, 3:45 p.m.)
- Robichaud at Romulus (Thurs., May 13, 3:45 p.m.)
- Best at Romulus (Tue., May 18, 3:45 p.m.)
- Melvindale at Romulus (Thurs., May 20, 3:45 p.m.)

Coaches:
Baseball: Brian McCallister.
Softball: Kellie Knight.

Recreation Programs

Thanks to Debbie Dick, Director, City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Keith Brothers, Recreation Coordinator, for supplying information for the "Recreation Programs" column. For more information about these or other offerings, stop in at the Recreation Department Office, 36515 Bibbins, or call 942-6852.

Unless otherwise noted, registration for the following programs should be made at the Romulus Recreation Department during its regular hours.

Adult Summer Softball

The Romulus Recreation Department is currently accepting registrations for its adult summer softball league. Teams may choose from among the following divisions. (Note: Red = B & C; White = C & D; Blue = D & below.)

Mon./Wed. Men's White Division

- 8 teams / 21 games / 2 umpires
- times: 6:30, 7:40, 8:50, 10:00
- cost: \$575
- "home run" limit: six per team

Mon./Wed. Women's White Division

- 8 teams / 14 games / 1 umpire
- times: 6:30, 7:40, 8:50, 10:00
- cost: \$375
- "home run" limit: no limit

Fri. Men's Red Division (competitive)

- 8 teams / 14 games / 2 umpires
- times: 6:15, 7:30, 8:45, 10:00
- cost: \$475
- "home run" limit: six per team

Fri. Men's Blue Division (recreational)

- 8 teams / 14 games / 2 umpires
- times: 6:15, 7:25, 8:35, 9:45
- cost: \$475
- "home run" limit: four per team

Sun. Men's White Division

- 10 teams / 18 games / 2 umpires
- times: 12:00, 1:10, 2:20, 3:30, 4:40, 5:50
- cost: \$500
- "home run" limit: five per team

(Note: Registration deadline is fast approaching. Sign up now.)

Scorekeepers Needed

The Romulus Recreation Department is looking for scorekeepers for its upcoming Adult Softball season, which will begin April 30 and continue until August. Scorekeepers can opt to work for one or more games per week (games are played on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays). Pay rate is \$7 per game. If interested, report to the City of Romulus Personnel Department (located in the City Hall building, 11111 South Wayne Road, at Goddard) and fill out an application, or contact the Recreation Department for further information.

Summer Sports Clinics

Clinics in both basketball and volleyball will be offered at Romulus High School this summer. For more information, please call the RHS Athletic Office at 734-941-2170, ext. 191.

The Velveteen Rabbit

The Romulus Recreation Department invites you and your children (ages three and up) to see a production of *The Velveteen Rabbit* on Saturday, April 10. (Bus will depart at 1:30 p.m., and return at about 4:30 p.m.) Cost is \$7 per person. Register by Friday, April 9.

City-wide Garage Sale

The annual City-wide Garage Sale has been set for Thursday, June 3, through Sunday, June 6. (If two or more days of the sale are rained out, it will be rescheduled for the following weekend.) Residents who would like to participate may sign up for their no-fee permits at the Romulus Recreation office. Permits must be applied for by Friday, May 14, in order to give the organizers ample time to compile lists and make maps. Permits, maps, etc., will be available for pickup beginning May 24. (Note: Permits for this sale do not count toward the three-permit-per-year maximum allowed each resident by City ordinance.)

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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, and Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

(Note: For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.) **Happy Birthday!**

Best wishes for a wonderful birthday to those of my Tower neighbors born in the month of April: Pauline Bragenzer, Myra Brower, Mary Casto, Clara Drogos, Dean Dudgeon, Helen George, Dorothy Gierak, Barbara Gillingham, Jane Kobylski, Helen Kosteck, William Maze, Margaret McIntosh, Sally Mulka, Rosie Robinson, Phyllis Wade, and Atlas Willis.

Free Blood-pressure Screening and Hypertension Seminar

You need not be a resident of the Romulus Tower (located at 36500 Bibbins in downtown Romulus) to attend a blood-pressure screening and hypertension seminar that will be held Monday, May 17, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Guest speaker will be Dawn Gramza, R.N., of the Visiting Nurse Association.

The event is free to seniors age 62 and over.

For more information, please call Audry Moomaw, Romulus Tower Manager, at 734-942-1230.

Free Tax Service for Seniors

Wednesday, April 14, is the last day that volunteers from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will be available (from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., by appointment only) at the Romulus Senior Center to assist low- and moderate-income Romulus seniors with the preparation of their Federal and State 1040 forms, as well as those for homestead property-tax, home-heating, and prescription credits.

A list of materials which must be brought to the appointment will be provided at the time of registration.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 942-6852. (Please note: Deposits reserve your seat for any bus trip. Complete payment is due at least two weeks prior to departure for day trips; for overnight trips, payment is due at least 30 days prior to departure. Checks may be made payable to the City of Romulus or the tour company.)

- **Tulip Festival** (May 14; \$62)
- **Casino Windsor** (June 8; \$21)
- **The True North (Ontario, Canada)** (July 18-24; \$699)
- **African Lion Safari (Cambridge, Ontario)** (July 23; \$59)
- **Uncle Tom's Cabin (Dresden, Ontario)** (September 15; \$50)
- **Branson and Eureka Springs** (September 19-25; \$699).

Sam's Club Memberships

Until the end of April, Sam's Club is offering a special two-person membership for only \$15. More information about this great deal, plus free one-day passes, are now available at the Center.

Baby Photos Wanted

The Center is asking seniors to bring in baby photos of themselves (ages seven and under) for a "match the baby to the senior" contest that will be held during the Mother's Day Luncheon, set for sometime next month. Photos must be brought to the Center by the end of April; all will be returned within a couple of days, since the Center will be making copies for the contest.

Haircuts

Senior citizens can come into the Romulus Senior Center for \$5 haircuts on the second Monday of each month beginning at 10:30 a.m. (Next date: April 12.) Walk-ins are welcome, but, for your own convenience, the Center strongly recommends calling ahead for an appointment. (Note: Since "shampoo" facilities are not available, seniors must wash their hair before coming in.)

Exercise/Toning

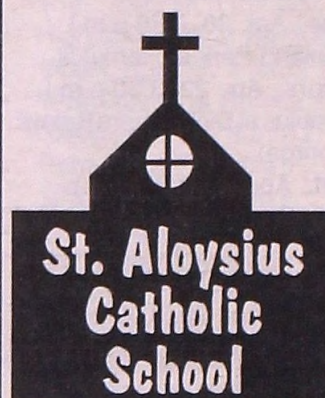
The Senior Center invites you to drop in at any of its free toning/stretching/aerobic exercise classes, which are held on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays at 9:15 a.m. Refreshments will be served. The Center recommends that all participants wear comfortable clothing, and urges anyone unused to physical exertion to consult a physician before beginning.

Tai Chi for Seniors

Following the Tai Chi demonstration that was put on at the Center last month, several seniors have expressed an interest in this Eastern form of exercise, meditation, and relaxation. To get a better idea of just how much interest is really out there, the Center has put out a questionnaire on the subject. Be sure to stop in and fill one out if you would like to see such a program get started. □

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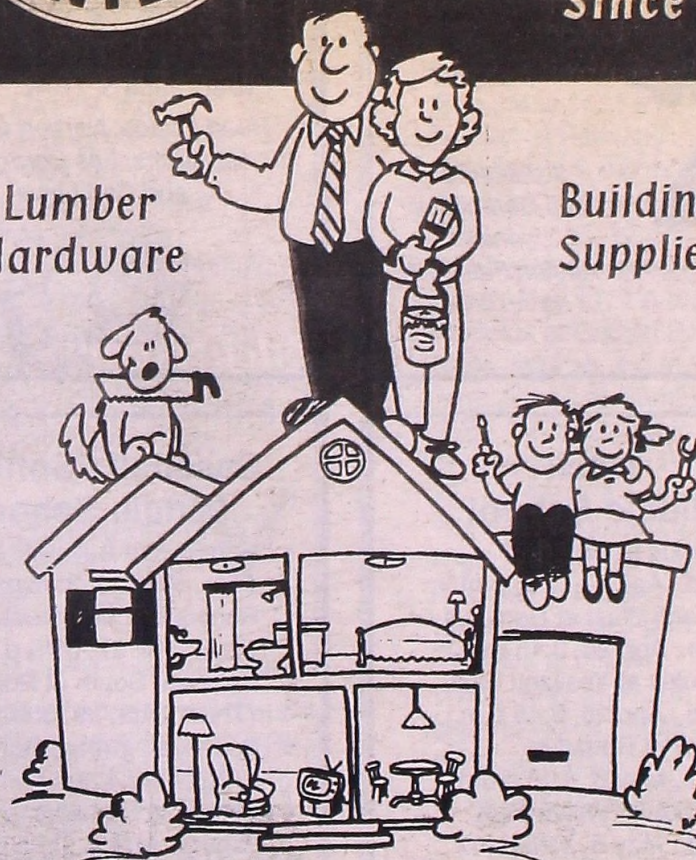
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Robert Grant Webb III

Robert and Tasha Webb of Romulus, Michigan, are proud to announce

the birth of their new son, Robert Grant Webb III.

Robert III was born in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center (Wayne, MI) at 3:16 p.m. on Sunday, February 28, 1999, weighing in at eight pounds, 15 ounces, and measuring 21 inches in length. The Webb family would like to extend their most sincere thanks to Dr. Leela Suruli and the staff at Annapolis Hospital for taking such good care of both mother and baby.

Especially excited about the new arrival was "big sister" Tiara Webb, who is three years old.

Robert III's paternal grandparents are Bobby and Eva Webb of Romulus; Ronald and Ruth Griffin, also of Romulus, are his maternal grandparents. □

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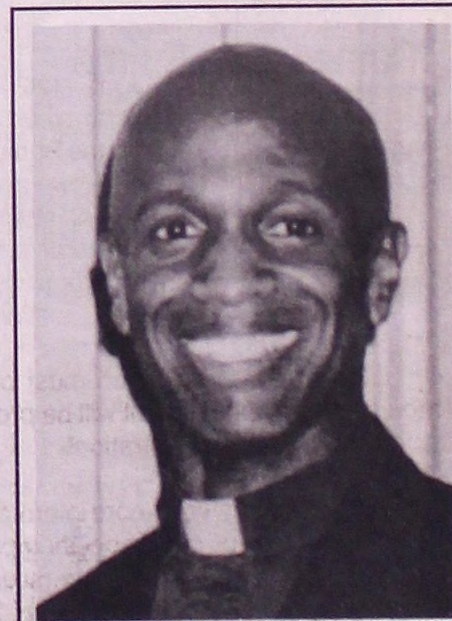
Pastor Celebrates Ninth Anniversary

The congregation of the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church (located at 5403 South Wayne Road in Wayne) is inviting the public to attend the ninth pastoral anniversary celebration of Reverend Virgil Humes on Sunday, April 25.

"Reverend Humes is widely recognized for his spiritual and civic endeavors, and enjoys an exceptional reputation as a source of comfort and counseling aid throughout our community," said Barbara Underwood of the Pastor's Anniversary Committee. "He is also known for his religious, community, and social activism throughout metropolitan Detroit."

A product of the Detroit public school system, Humes has received bachelor's degrees from Morehouse College and Georgia Tech, as well as a master's degree from Central Michigan University and post-graduate education from Garrett Theological Seminary and Ashland Theological Seminary.

Highlighting the day's events will be special services featuring sermons from a number of guest preachers: Reverend Ronald Arthur, Pastor of Springhill Baptist Church of Detroit (early service, 7:30 a.m.), Reverend Otis White, Pas-



Reverend Virgil Humes

tor of Triedstone Baptist Church of Mt. Clemens (morning service, 10:45 a.m.), and Dr. Odell Jones, Pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church of Detroit (afternoon service, 3 p.m.). Other events: a continental breakfast (9 a.m.), Sunday school (9:30 a.m.), and dinner at UAW Local #900, located at 38200 Michigan Avenue, Wayne (1:30 p.m.). □

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